

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 701

By Johnson

A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Pamela J. Wright to the board of trustees of Middle Tennessee State University.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-101, provides for the governance of Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) by a board of trustees; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that the governor shall appoint eight (8) members to the board of trustees of Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Lee has appointed Pamela J. Wright of Nashville to the board of trustees of Middle Tennessee State University for a term that will expire June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Pamela J. Wright is the founder of Wright Travel, one of the largest travel agencies in the United States, which has grown to include twenty-eight offices in seven states; she is now focusing on the management of two other companies that she owns, Wright Airport Business Center and Wright Development; and

WHEREAS, an alumna of MTSU, Ms. Wright chaired her alma mater's latest capital campaign, which raised more than \$108 million; she has also served on the Board of Trustees for the MTSU Foundation and the MTSU President's Advisory Council; and

WHEREAS, she has received the Distinguished Alumni Award from MTSU and was an inaugural recipient of MTSU's School of Business Exemplar Award; and

WHEREAS, recognized as one of the 100 Most Powerful Women in Travel by *Travel Agent* magazine, Nashville's Small Business Executive of the Year, and Woman Business Owner of the Year by the National Association of Women Business Owners, Ms. Wright is active in Junior Achievement of Nashville and has served as president of the Nashville Chapter

of the Arthritis Foundation, vice chair of Small Business for the Nashville Chamber, and vice chair of the Nashville Convention and Visitors Bureau, among many other civic leadership posts; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Wright is a person of integrity who brings a strong commitment to the citizens of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-8-201, provides that each member appointed by the governor to the board of trustees of Middle Tennessee State University shall be confirmed by the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that this body confirms the appointment of Pamela J. Wright to the board of trustees of Middle Tennessee State University for a term that will expire June 30, 2025.